

ELTE Set expressions & week practice quiz 27

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i Practice makes perfect emphasizes that consistent practice leads to mastery of a skill. For example, athletes improve performance through regular training.

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i Better late than never suggests it is preferable to complete a task late than not at all. Delivering a project past the deadline is better than not delivering it.

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i All that glitters is not gold means appearances can be deceiving. An attractive offer might not be as beneficial as it seems.

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i If you can't beat them, join them suggests working with rivals when you can't defeat them. Businesses often collaborate to overcome market challenges.

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i A picture is worth a thousand words means images convey information effectively. Charts can better explain data trends than paragraphs of text.

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i Actions speak louder than words suggests behavior reveals intentions more than verbal commitments. Donating to charity demonstrates goodwill more than claims of generosity.

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i A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush suggests valuing what you have over uncertain possibilities. Choosing a stable job over a risky opportunity illustrates this.

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i Time is money highlights that time is valuable and should be used wisely. Efficient time management increases productivity and profitability.

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i No pain, no gain means hard work is necessary for success. Athletes endure strenuous training to improve performance and achieve physical feats.

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i 'Easy come, easy go' implies that things acquired with little effort are lost quickly. Winning money in a lottery is often spent quickly unless managed carefully.

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i 'Rome wasn't built in a day' means achieving something significant takes time and effort. Building a successful business or learning a new language requires patience and consistent effort.

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i "Out of sight, out of mind" means that when something is not visible, it is easily forgotten. This phrase emphasizes the human tendency to forget those not present.

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i The phrase 'Time flies when you are having fun' means that time seems to pass quickly when you're enjoying yourself. It's frequently said during enjoyable activities or vacations, suggesting the perception of time changes with your engagement level.

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i The expression 'So far, so good' means that things are progressing well up to this point. It is often used to indicate cautious optimism. For example, during a new project, one might say 'So far, so good' to mean everything is going well.

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i 'Same old, same old' is a common phrase meaning the same routine or lack of change. It emphasizes consistency or monotony.

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